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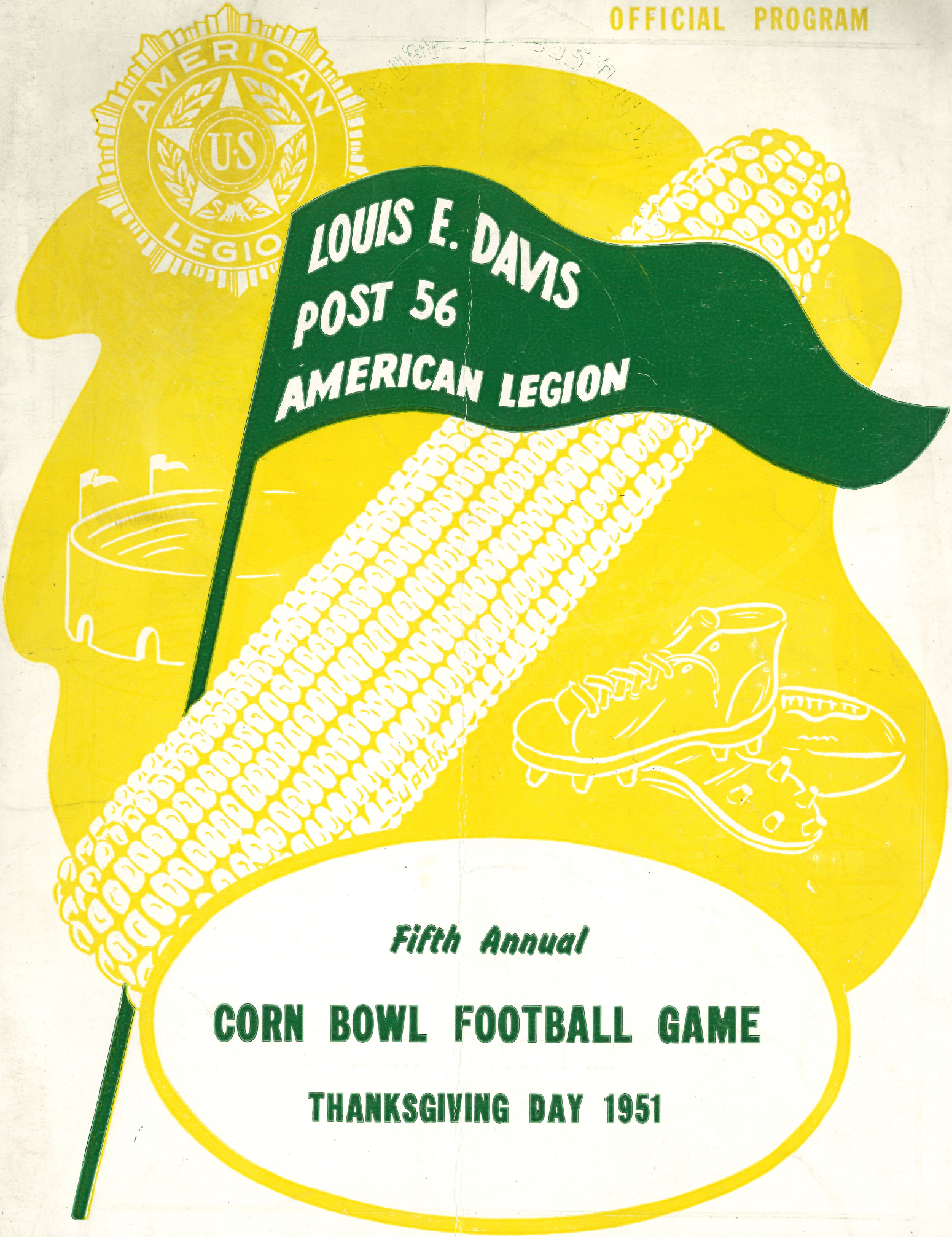

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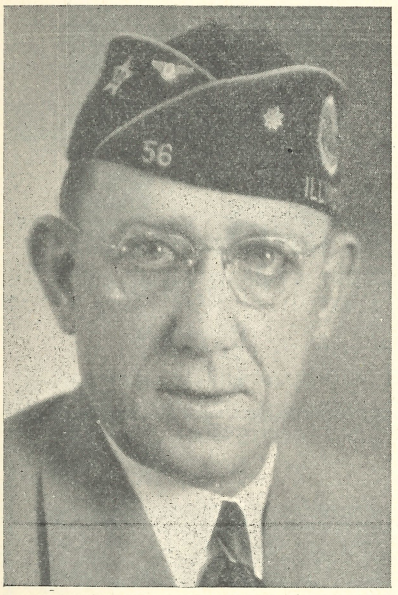

Commander Merle Arbogast

Merle D. Arbogast, a veteran of World War I is the thirty-fourth commander of Louis E. Davis Post No. 56, of the American Legion.

Commander Arbogast served three years and four months with the Motor Artillery, and compiled a noteable record for service. Likewise his service to this post has been outstanding and feel confident that under his leadership this post is certain to make some noteable gains and that his administration will be marked by real progress. He is a staunch supporter of our Youth Program and was one of Chairman C. K. Watkins' main spokes the past summer because he believes that if you keep a boy busy, he will be a better boy, and in the end the community, state and nation gains.

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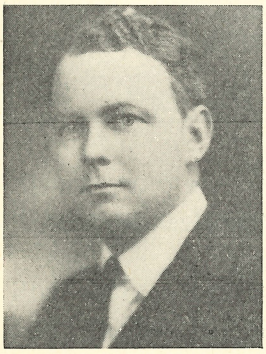

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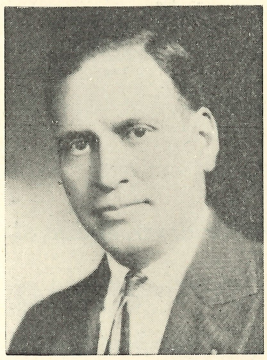

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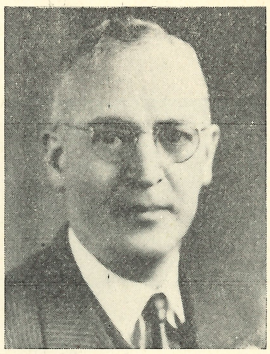

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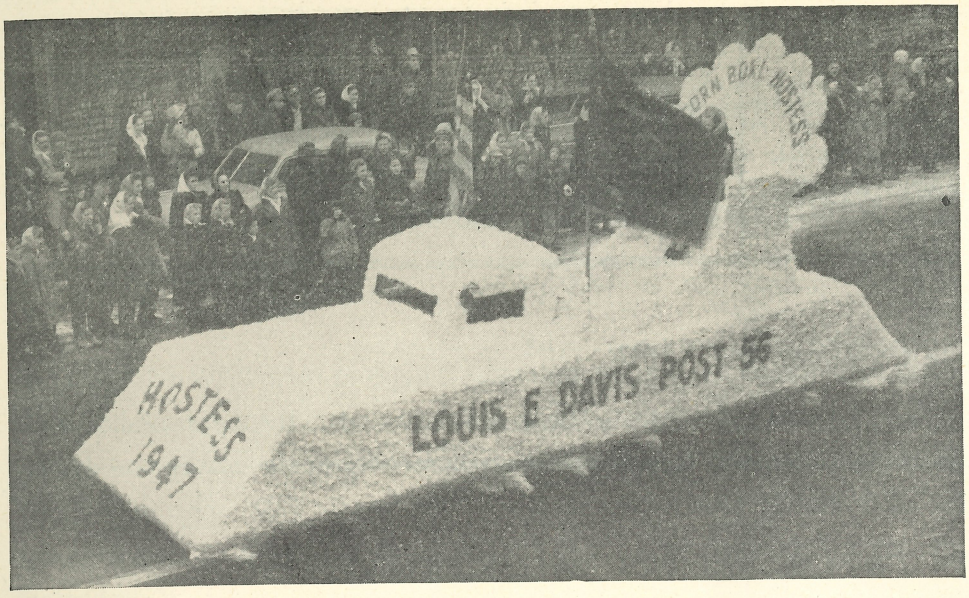


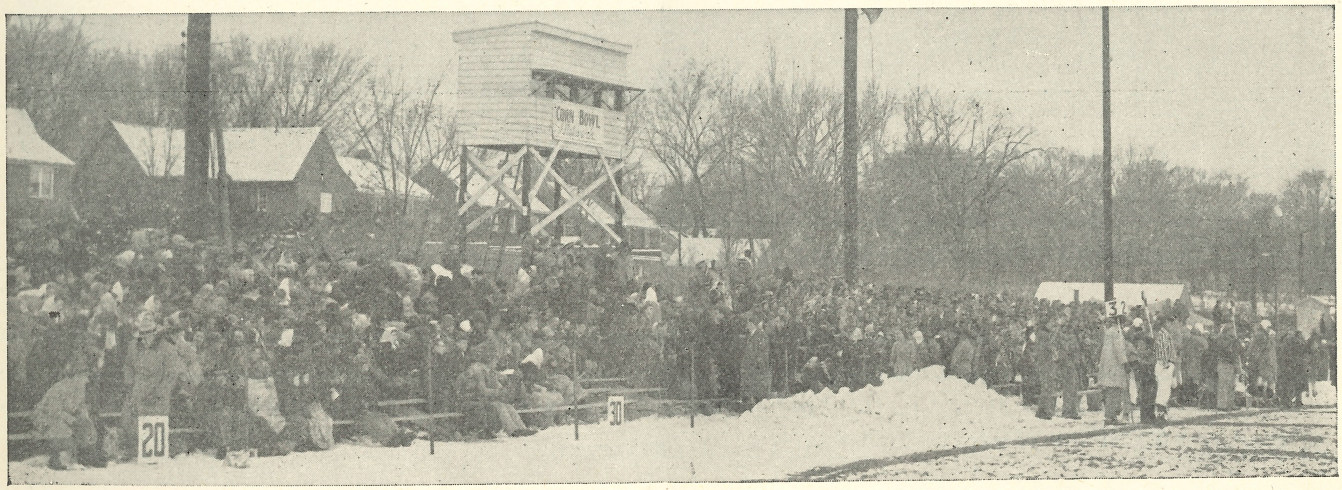
The First CORN BOWL Game

It was just four years ago that the First Annual Corn Bowl football game was played here in Bloomington, but plans for this great event were formulated in the minds of our civic leaders many months before.

The Corn Bowl event was planned as more than just a football game. It was designed to focus the attention of the nation on Bloomington — the capital of the greatest corn producing county in the United States.

Sponsored by the Louis E. Davis Post No. 56 of The American Legion, the first Corn Bowl game was received so enthusiastically in spite of the inclement weather that it is now a permanent Thanksgiving Day event. The entire net proceeds of every Corn Bowl game are used by the local Legion Post to further its Youth Activities Program.

Four years ago, despite snow and ice, 30,000 shouting and cheering spectators lined the Bloomington streets on Thanksgiving Day morning to watch the hour-long parade of colorful floats and bands. In the afternoon, a hardy crowd braved sub-freezing weather at Fred Carlton Field to watch Southern Illinois University trounce North Central, 21-0, to win the coveted Corn Bowl trophy.



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A portion of the 9,000 rooters show their satisfaction as Wesleyan's Gib Baechler sweeps across for the lone touchdown of the game with just 66 seconds remaining in the final period. It was a great day and a glorious finish for Wesleyan rooters.

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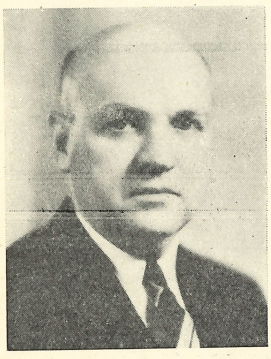

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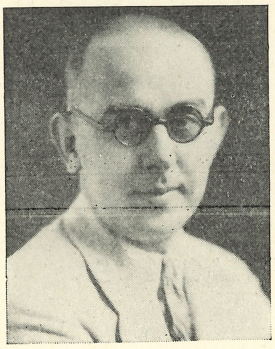

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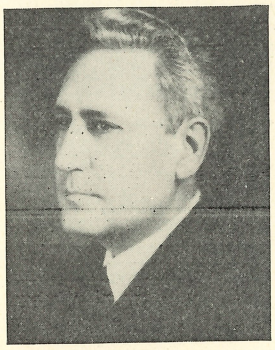

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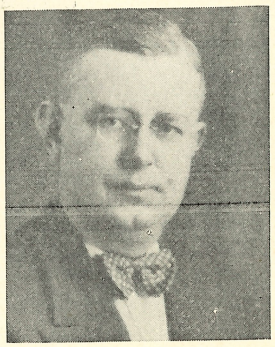

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Third CORN BOWL Game

A stout defense, a swivel-hipped scatback, and Old Dame Nature combined to give a fine Western State Eleven a 13-0 nod over a fighting Wheaton squad in the third Turkey Day's damp, but delightful Corn Bowl game. Angie Marini, Leatherneck halfback, and former Chillicothe, Illinois prep star, slush his way to two touchdowns and Joe Beja added an extra point to complete the scoring story before a goodly number of rain-soaked fans. It was the worst day for weather in the three-year history of the Bowl.

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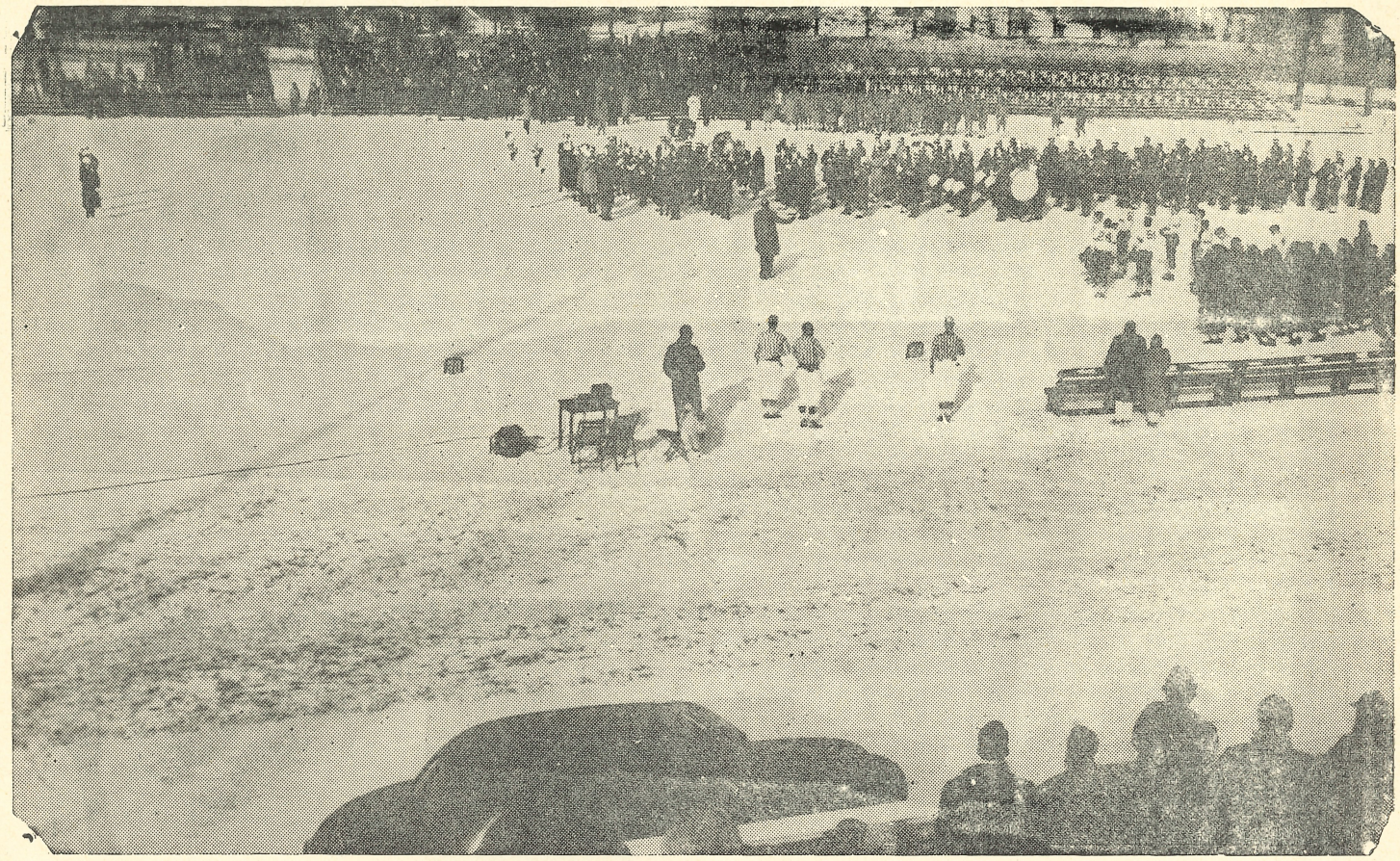

YEP, IT'S A FOOTBALL FIELD

The gridiron at the Illinois Wesleyan University stadium was a smooth sheet of snow and ice for last year's Corn Bowl game but this year everyone is pulling for a good day. Among the braver members souls in attendance at the 1950 classic were the 190 members of State Normal's marching band who performed despite the blizzard. Thanks to Comrade Joe Yurieci, our able grounds committee, the sidelines were marked with tape and only the 10 yard markers along the sidelines helped give fans any idea where the ball rested.

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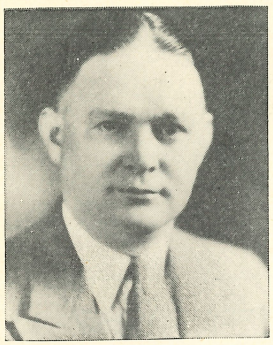

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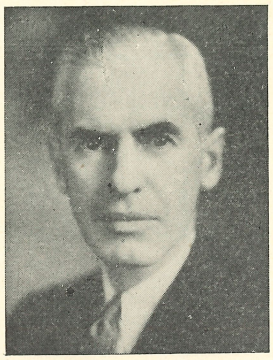

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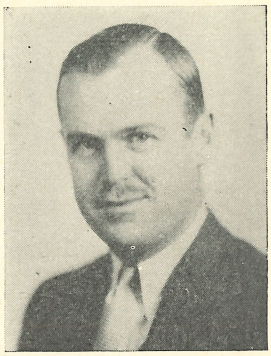

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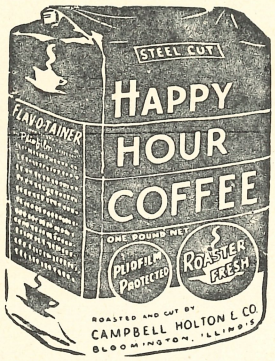

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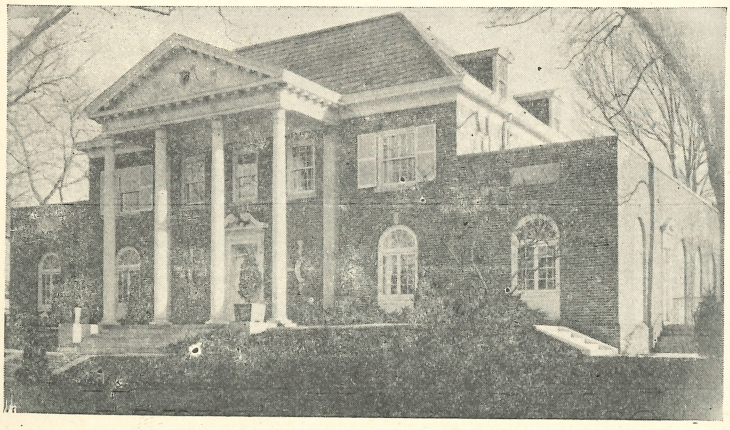

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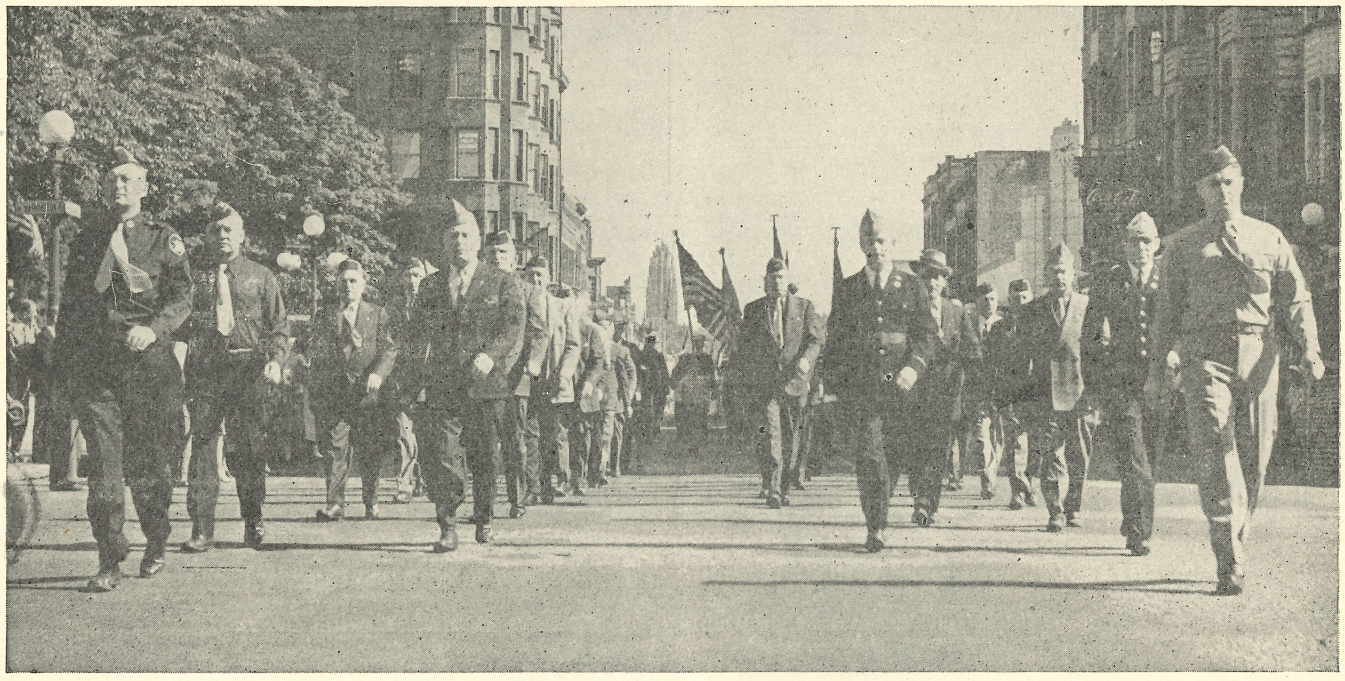
Legionnaires in the Louis E. Davis Post No. 56 take an active part in supporting Americanism, because they believe in its doctrines of Liberty, Freedom and Justice for all. They believe in teaching the youth of America what the American way of life means . . . and how it must be defended.



Specifically the Legion's Americanism Program promotes understanding of the principles of democratic government; it encourages education through thousands of schools for children and night schools for adults; it takes the lead in disseminating knowledge of and promoting respect for the National Flag; it does important work for the boys of America through Boy Scout activities and junior athletics; it combats revolutionary radicalism and all movements which have for their aim the downfall of America; it strives for the maintenance of the national defenses at a strength sufficient to guarantee the security of the country; it gives sound, practical service in this community, working to make it a better place in which to live.

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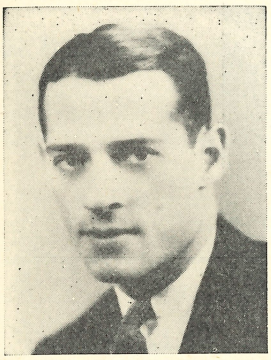

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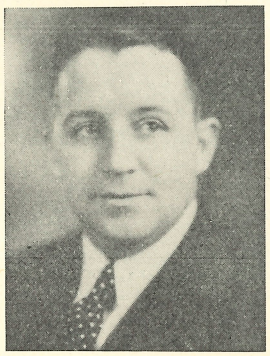

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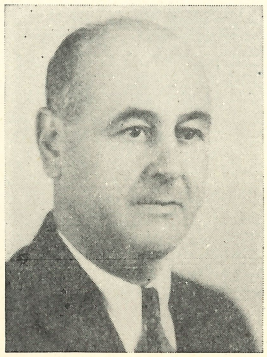

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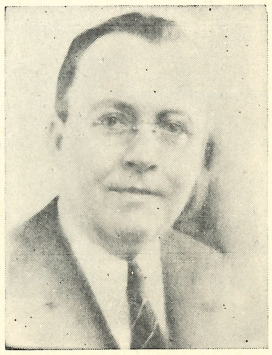

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The American Legion's Junior Baseball program is the largest supervised athletic organization in this community. Last summer over 1,000 boys participated in this program. The Legion furnishes bats, balls, catching equipment, and teachers free of charge to all, regardless of creed or color.

Other projects sponsored by the Legion for the youth in this community are: the American Legion Oratorical Contest; Boy's State, the Legion-sponsored week long camp held annually at the Illinois state fair grounds at Springfield; Boy Scout Troop No. 5 at Illinois Soldiers and Sailors Children's School; the annual Easter Egg Hunt held at Miller Park for McLean County children; the annual Legion Community Christmas party; and the Child Welfare Program which provides free medical care to needy children of veterans.

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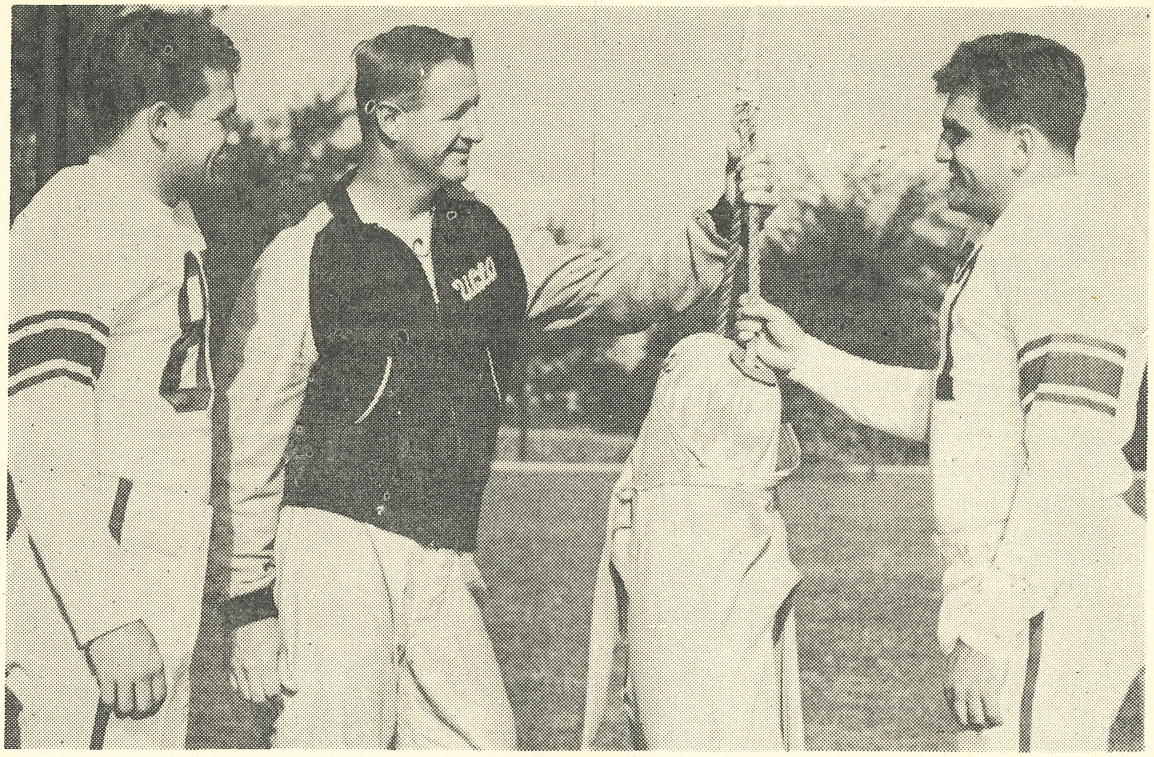

Lewis College Coach Bernie Masterson, (center)
Co-Captains Ken Hanisch (left) & Joe Farinello

ABOUT THE TEAM

Youthful Lewis College in Lockport, Illinois, will graduate its first senior class this year, and the Flyers football team intend to do its share in celebrating by having a successful season.. Lewis moved up into the ranks of the four-year colleges in 1950, also moving up in class by becoming a member of the highly successful Midlands Conference. Most of the 250 students, including the players come from the Chicago area. The college is 35 miles southwest of Chicago on Route 66A and a few miles from Joliet.

The Flyers this season are coached by two former Chicago Bears grid stars, in Bernie Masterson and Jules Carlson, who replaced another ex-Bear, Ray "Scooter" McLean who left to become assistant with the Green Bay Packers.

Coach Bernie Masterson started his career in football as a player at the University of Nebraska. While there from 1930-1933, Bernie quarterbacked his team to two Big Six Championships. In these two years he was on many of the All American Teams. On graduating from Nebraska, Bernie moved directly to the Chicago Bears.

Jules Carlson, assistant coach, started his career at Oregon State. Leaving Oregon State Jules went to the Chicago Bears and starred for eight years as a guard, being named "All-Pro" twice.

In 1948 and 1949 the Flyers copped two conference championships. The following year, 1950 the Flyers stepped into the Midlands Conference and took third place. To this date, Lewis has a team record of 22 wins and seven defeats.

This season the Flyers have won five games and lost one, losing to Great Lakes Bluejackets 21-0. This, incidentally, was Lewis' first shutout in 29 games.

Co-Captains are Joe Farinella, all conference guard and Ken Hanisch of Austin.

SEASONS RECORD

Won 5 Lost 1

Midlands Conference — Won 2 Lost 0

Lewis 19	Wis. State Teachers	0
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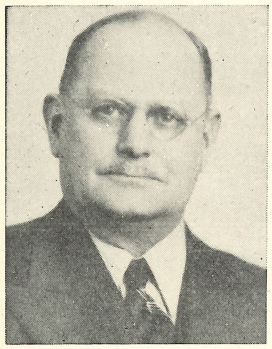

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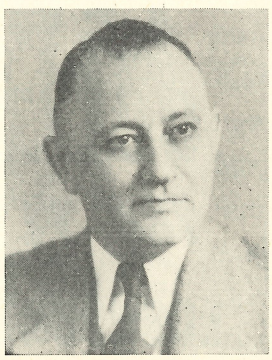
1935-1936



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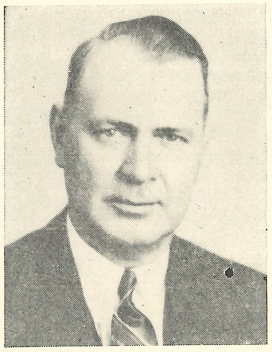

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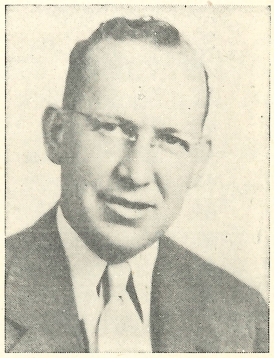

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28	28	Dunklau, Bob	Chicago	180	G
30	30	Thuerk, Marty	Chicago	193	E
31	31	Farinella, Joe *	Chicago	215	G
50	50	Mariana, Mike	Chicago	165	HB
55	33	Szynecko, Ed	Chicago	210	T
34	34	Heneghan, Bob	Chicago	170	HB
35	35	Kraft, Les	Chicago	173	HB
36	36	Tierney, John	Chicago	180	HB
29	37	Nield, Dick	Chicago	173	HB
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74	42	Rose, John	Chicago	205	G
66	43	Bizunowicz, Joe	Chicago	255	T
44	44	Beaton, Norm	Chicago	230	T
45	45	Mihalek, Lou	Chicago	180	FB
46	46	Hoffman, John	South Bend, Ind.	225	T
47	25	Novack, Ed	Chicago	167	HB
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53	27	Kelly, Vince	Chicago	210	T
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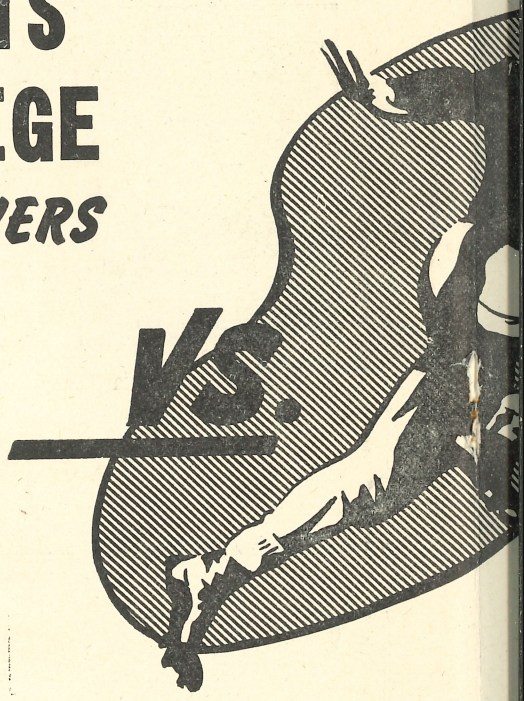

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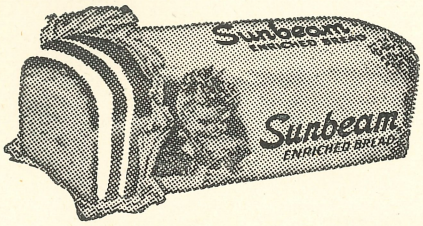

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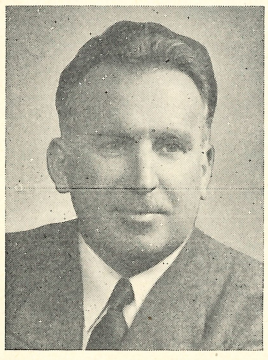

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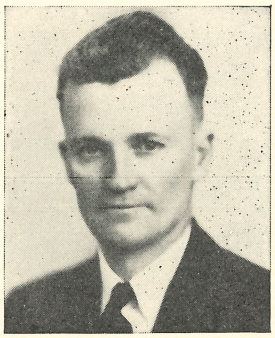

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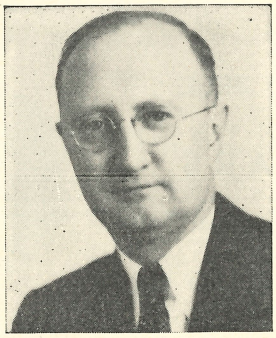

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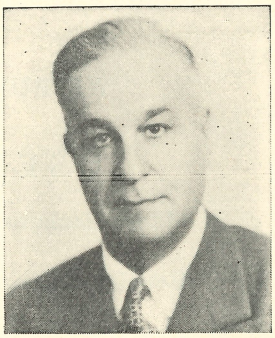

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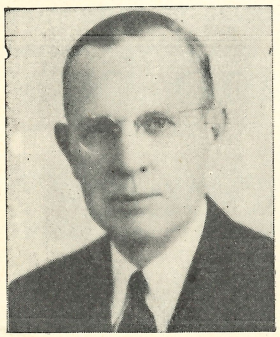

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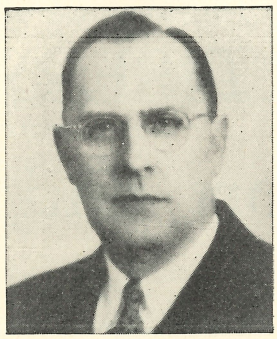

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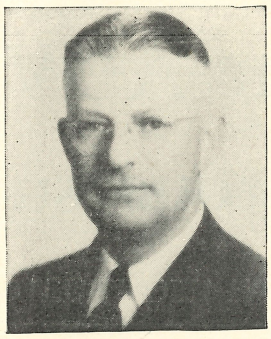

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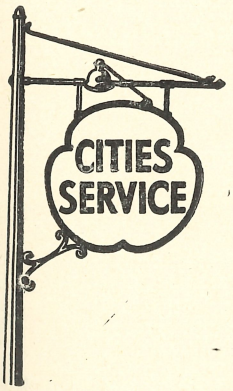

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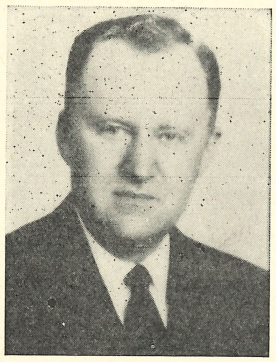

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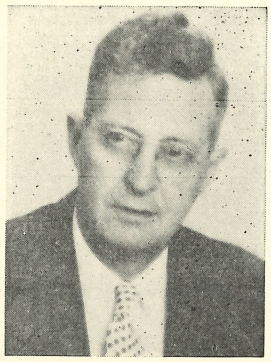
1946-1947



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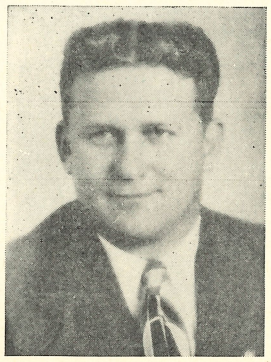

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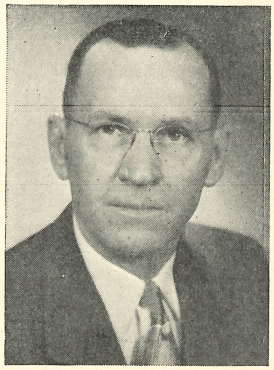
1948-1949



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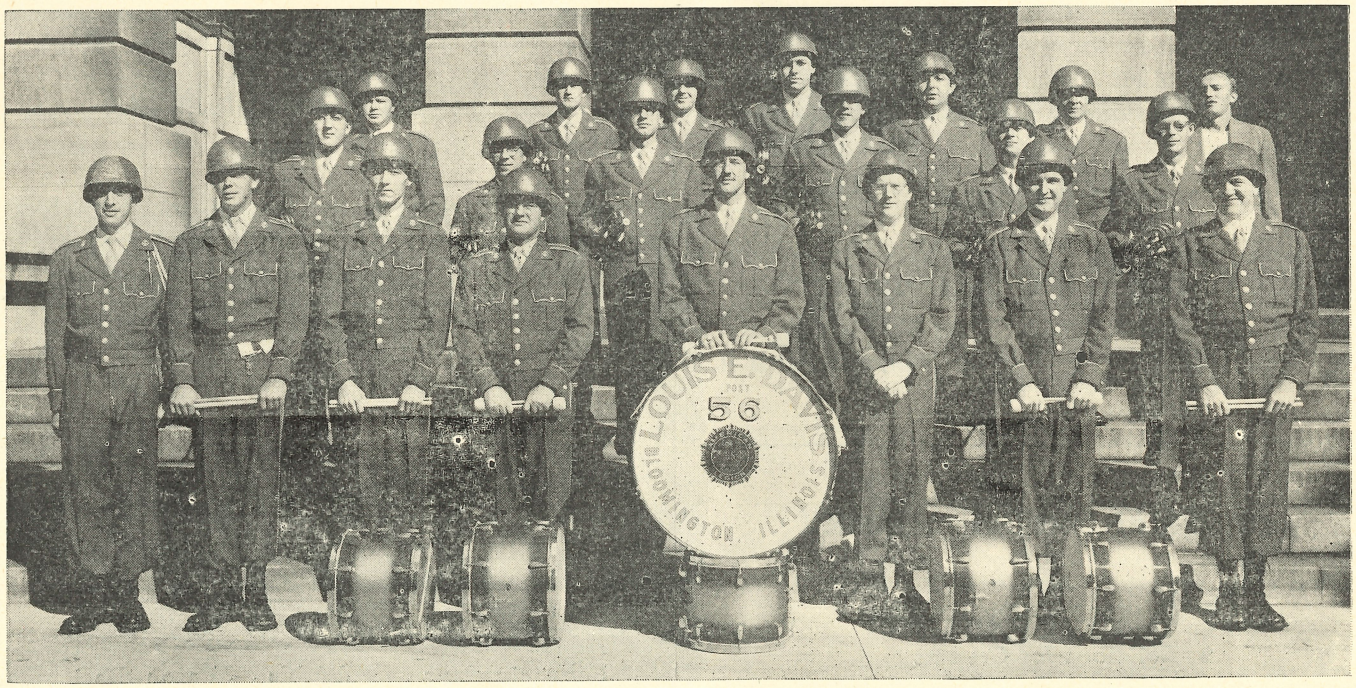

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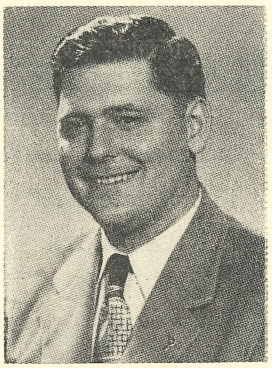

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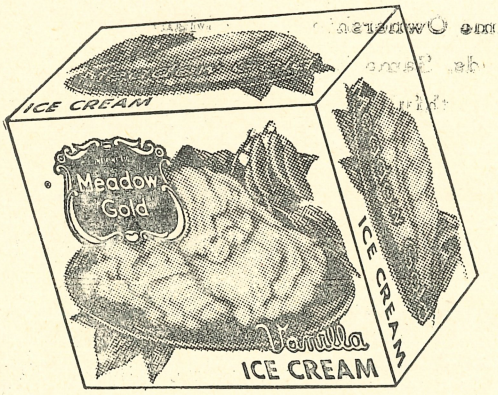

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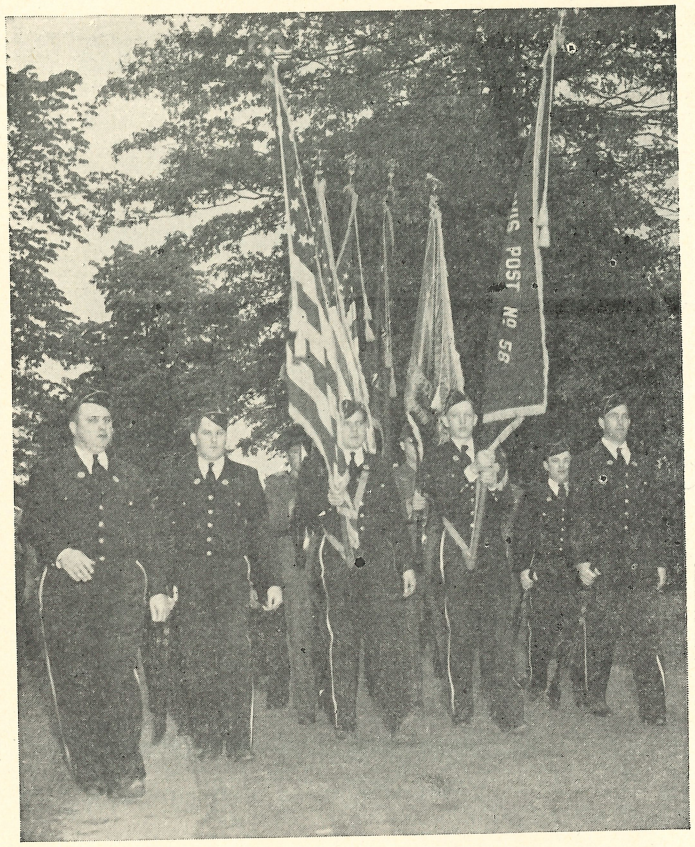

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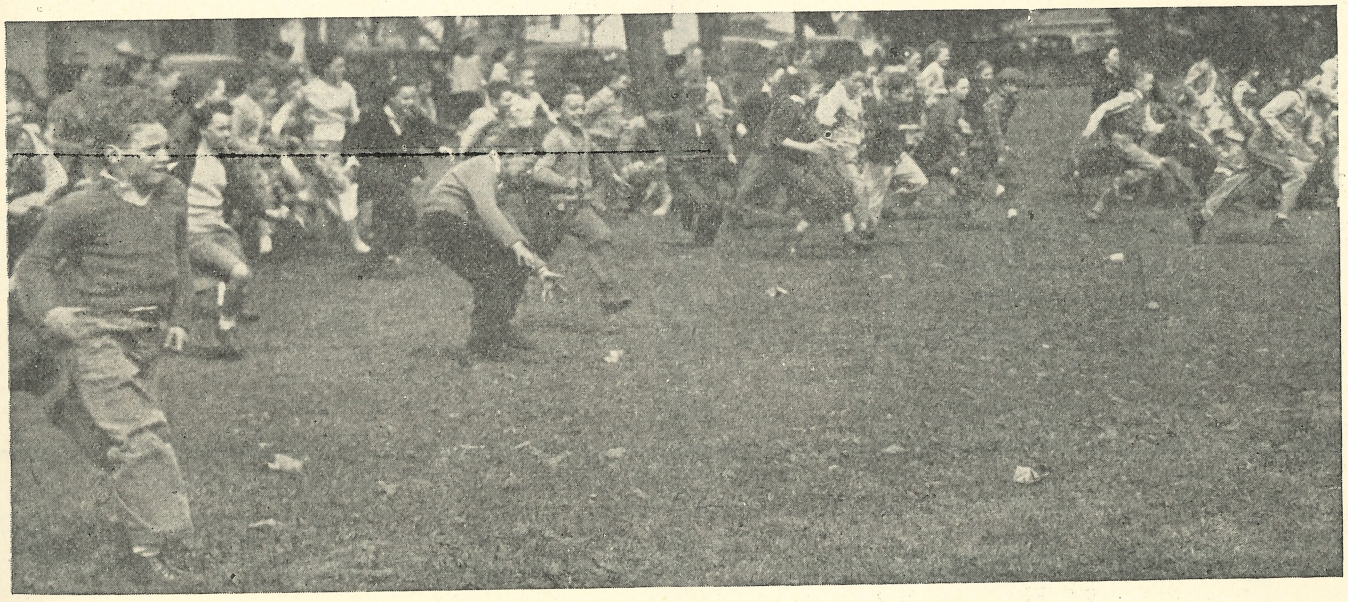
Easter egg hunters assemble in front of the bandstand for magic show after finding the sacks of candy. Each child received a free bottle of pop in addition to the candy.



Tots are egged on by their parents at Miller Park on Easter afternoon as they break from the starting line like a horde of homesteaders in the old west. White dots on grass are packages of easter eggs. The children found them all in less than two minutes after the starting signal.

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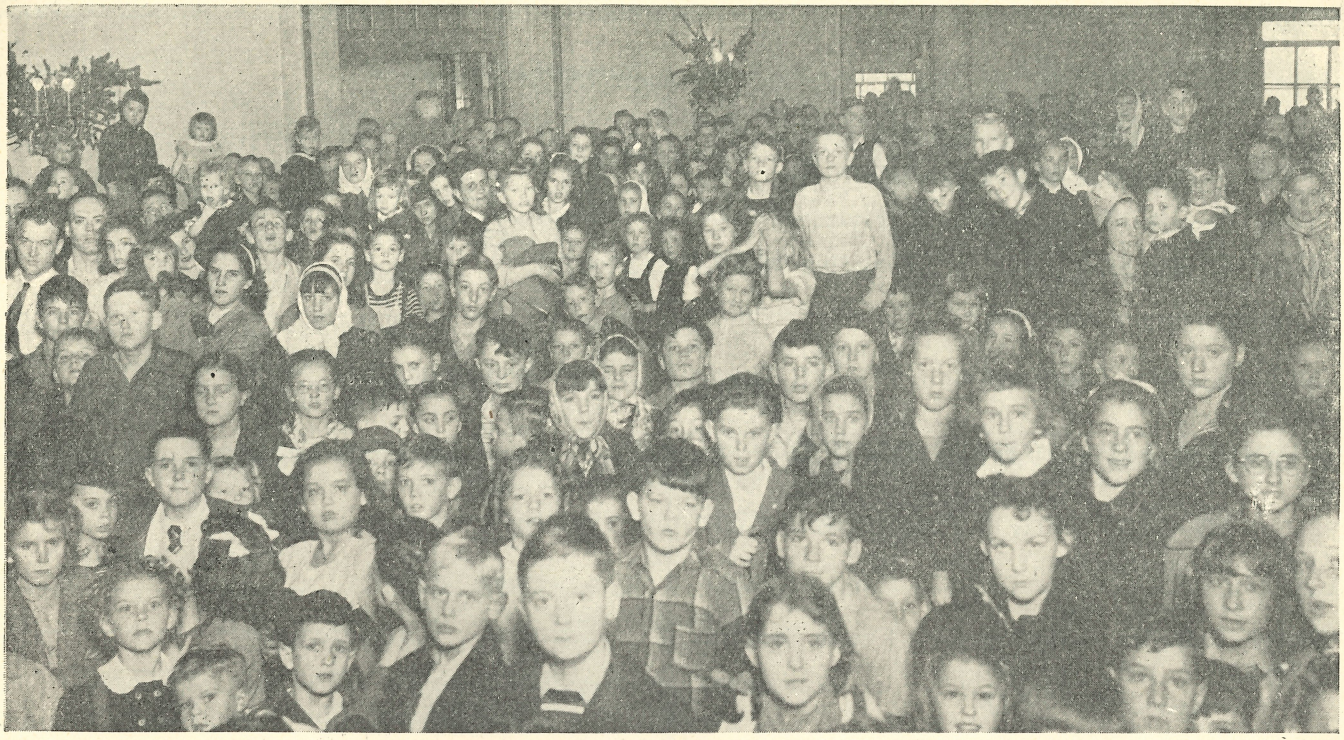

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